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PREFACE

During the Second World War the German Signal Intelligence Control Center of the Staff of the Chief of Army Signal Service (HNW, LNA) issued a series of reports to show the USSR military-economic situation as reflected in Russian internal plain language traffic. These reports appeared at short, irregular intervals, usually six per month, for the period October 1942-March 1943. Eighty-three of these reports have been translated and issued by [REDACTED] FOIA b3a

It is planned to issue a complete set of translations of the reports beginning with the most recent and working back- FOIA b3a
FOIA b3a but omitting those already translated by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] The numbering of the items was added by the translator since the Germans did this only in the last FOIA b3a
FOIA b3a eighteen reports, [REDACTED] inclusive. Since the original material was in Russian, an effort has been made when translating the German to determine the original Russian term wherever possible. This is facilitated by the Russian fondness for abbreviations. In these translations into English the probable meaning of the abbreviation will be given in parenthesis the first time it occurs in each report:

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The Soviet Union

Military-Economic Report 6/4

(Based on domestic radio traffic)

I. Total Survey

1) Transport

(1) Fuel deliveries to the front can be accomplished only under great difficulties because of the lack of railroad cars.

Civil Air Fleet

(2) The training of flight apprentices for the Red Army by the Civil Air Fleet is once again confirmed in traffic.

2) Fuel

(3) A shortage in the fuel allotment was noted at the end of March.

(4) No fuel is being authorized by the Armenian People's Commissariat for Agriculture for tractors and other machines in agriculture.

(5) From the Oil Oblast' of Groznyj in the period from 22 to 29 March 251 tank cars of oil were delivered to Krasnodar and on 25 March 80 tank cars of fuel to Rostov. These shipments are probably scheduled for the front.

(6) In the period from 20 to 25 March the Machine Tool Industry in Tiflis had a fuel consumption of about 25 tons. The "iron plants" in Zestafoni reported a consumption of 250 tons of fuel for the period of 27 to 29 March.

3) Reconstruction

(7) In various cities of the Soviet Union larger new buildings and plant enlargements are planned for the next period.

(8) In the reconquered oblasti of the Caucasus, including Cherkessk, greater efforts are being directed towards reconstruction work.

4) Plants

(9) Soviet Russian plants have not been able to deliver their products for several months because the results from the metal testing places are not yet available.

(10) Other plants are being prevented from carrying out the existing orders of the state according to plan because of too many orders from Agriculture and Industry.

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(11) A few new plants could be identified.

II Separate Items

1) Transport

(12) According to a message of 3 April, no oil and fuel deliveries could take place from the Oil Oblast' of Groznyj because the required number of empty tank cars are lacking for this operation.

(13) In Kirovakan the railway directorate is not in a position to make available railroad cars for transporting raw material for the chemical industry. For April only 45 railroad cars were authorized instead of the required 200 cars.

(14) Larger deliveries to Kirov can be carried out only very slowly because of the lack of railroad cars.

(15) In Ingur only 8 of the 25 authorized railroad cars were made available to the Paper Sales for transporting paper.

(16) For the shipments of mine timber the following is being made available for the mines in April:

In Borshomi	36	railroad cars
In Ochemchiri	10	railroad cars
In Poti	15	railroad cars
In Dzhumati	10	railroad cars
In Kingda	20	railroad cars
In Zadakhlo	11	railroad cars
In Airum	6	railroad cars
In Akhtala	17	railroad cars
In Zhagali	22	railroad cars

(17) For transporting canned goods the following was authorized for April:

To the Azerbajdzhan Canning Trust	28	railroad cars
To the Georgian Canning Trust	57	railroad cars
To the Armenian Canning Trust	5	railroad cars

Civil Air Fleet

(18) According to a message radio operators from the Directorate of the Civil Air Fleet are being put at the head of field units.

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(19) Plant "Kirov" in Tiflis received none of the allotted fuel for 20 and 21 March according to a message of 22 March.

(20) The People's Commissariat for Agriculture in Armenia authorized no fuel for use in agriculture.

(21) According to messages of 3 April, Groznyj delivered to Krasnodar

on 22 March	92 tank cars	of oil
on 26 March	80 tank cars	of oil
on 29 March	79 tank cars	of oil

(22) Rostov received 80 tank cars of fuel on 25 March.

(23) The Machine Tool Industry in Tiflis issued the following fuel account for the period from 20 to 25 March:

	<u>Arrival</u>	<u>Consumption</u>	<u>Remainder</u>
Mazut	14 tons	1 ton	69 tons
Truck Gasoline	-----	0.18 tons	2 tons
Kerosene	-----	0.03 tons	1 ton
Anthracite	-----	4 tons	60 tons
Coal	-----	14 tons	164 tons
Coke for foundry purposes	10 tons	4 tons	7 tons

(24) The "iron plants" in Zestafoni reported for the period from 27 to 29 March a fuel account of:

	<u>Arrival</u>	<u>Consumption</u>	<u>Remainder</u>
Oil	57 tons	97 tons	207 tons
Mazut	55 tons	3 tons	239 tons
Coke	-----	89 tons	149 tons
Tkvibuli Coal	-----	61 tons	1819 tons

3) Construction

(25) Ilijsk is far behind in scheduled construction. 179,000 rubles are provided for the construction of a new landing place.

(26) Chardzhou is in last place with regards to carrying out construction.

(27) The Oil Industry in Baku requires 291 tons apparently for new buildings or enlargements of enterprises, and the Oil Industry in Groznyj 283 tons of clinkers.

(28) Plant "Volgatanker" in Erivan is apparently in the process of being enlarged. For this purpose 150 tons of cement are being delivered from Volsk.

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(29) Gas driven engines and generators are being produced once again in Cherkessk. For repairing generators 20 accumulators were required by the accumulator works in Ordzhonikidze. 156,000 rubles are needed for reconstruction of the truck park and 115,000 rubles are needed for the restoring of the work shops.

4) Plants

(30) The Ship Repair Yard "Lenin" in Blagoveshchensk has not shipped its production for 2 months, since the results of the metal testing office are not yet available.

(31) Plant "Teplokhod" in Gorkij is engaged in the building of steam engines and spare parts for ship repairs among other things. As a result of the overloading through orders for tractor spare parts, the plant is behind in carrying out government orders.

(32) According to a message of 2 April the Shipyard "Molotov" in Cherdyn is building coal barges of 1700 GRT.

(33) According to messages from 1 to 3 April, the following were recently identified:

Plant #29	in Irkutsk	(presumably aviation factory)
Plant #77	in Barnaul	
Plant #617	in Novosibirsk	
Kalinin workshops	in Gorkij	